

... for a brighter future



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Introduction

- Essential goal of this work is to support LCLS commissioning, operation, and optimization with fast, high-fidelity modeling tools
- Summary of ANL's tasks
 - Finish parallelization of relevant parts of elegant, a trusted code for such modeling
 - Develop robust interfaces among suite of codes involved in FEL modeling
 - *IMPACT* (gun and linac modeling)
 - elegant (accelerator modeling and optimization)
 - GENESIS and GINGER (FEL modeling)
 - Develop integrated graphical user interface to provide on-demand, highfidelity modeling of data and experiments
 - Selection of codes, algorithms, detail level
 - Utilizes data drawn from the control system
 - *Utilizes high-performance computing resources*
 - Develop optimizer based on genetic algorithm to provide guidance on FEL performance improvement.



Simulation of Microbunching Instability

- The microbunching instability in FEL driver linacs is an important design and operation issue
 - Instability is driven by longitudinal space charge, coherent synchrotron radiation, and non-zero R56 of bunch compressors
- Primary goal of simulations is to determine the microbunching gain curve
 - How much is an initial small density modulation amplified in passing through the system, as a function of wavelength of the modulation?
- We used the FERMI@ELETTRA lattice for testing purposes due to its availability and similarity to LCLS lattice
 - Up-to-date LCLS lattice wasn't available in timely fashion

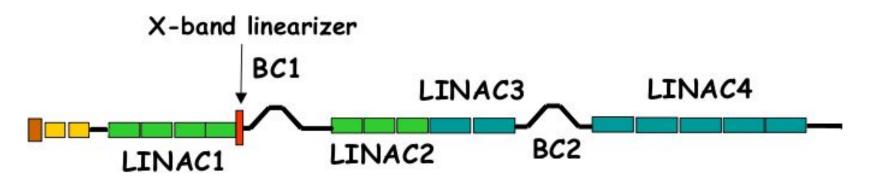
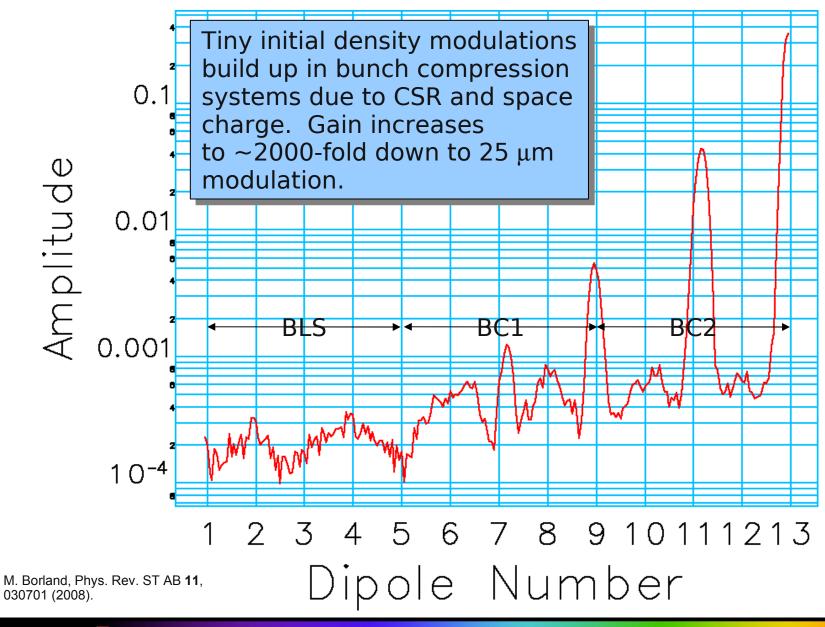


Figure from S. DiMitri et al., Proc. 2008 EPAC.

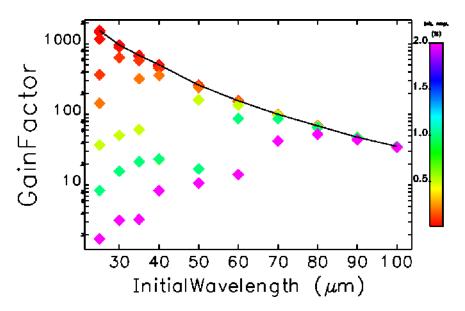


FERMI Microbunching Instability Simulated with elegant





Reliable Gain Curve Computation Requires Careful Modeling



- Considerations^{1,2}:
 - Optimization of initial modulation depth to avoid non-linearity
 - Variation of number of particles to ensure convergence
 - Low-pass filtering of particle distribution in computations to control noise growth
 - Detection of modulation signal in output histograms using NAFF
- For 25 micron modulation in FERMI, need ~20MP, 3000 bins, 0.01% modulation
- Released version of Pelegant can handle up to 60 MP
 - Improved memory management

¹Z.. Huang *et al.*, Phys. Rev. ST AB **7**, 074401 (2004). ²M. Borland, Phys. Rev. ST AB 11, 030701 (2008).



Probing Shorter Wavelengths Important

- In LCLS commissioning¹, evidence has been found of the microbunching instability, apparently at optical wavelengths
 - Has serious impact on LCLS diagnostics
 - Need to push modeling into sub-micron wavelengths
- LCLS and other facilities propose² a laser/undulator beam heater to impose an energy modulation on the beam
 - Predicted to suppress the microbunching instability
 - Modulates beam energy at ~1 micron wavelength
- 1 micron wavelength requires about 500 million particles
 - Would like to push to 1.5 billion
- To do this requires two things
 - Changing the architecture of parallel **elegant**
 - Parallelizing SDDS-based I/O used by elegant

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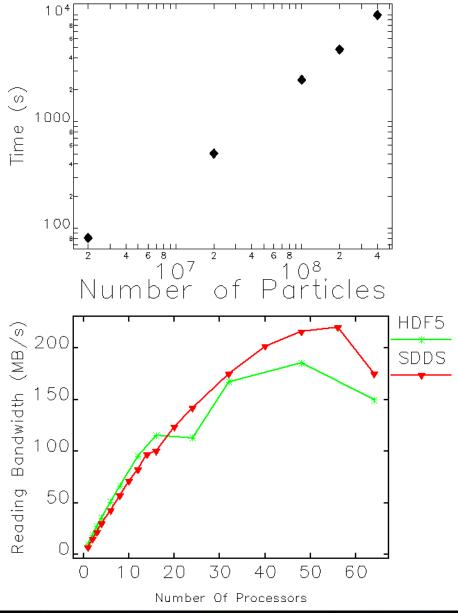
¹K. Bane et al., Proc. PAC07, 807-809 (2007).

Architecture of Parallel elegant

- The original parallelization was an expedient approach
 - Particle-based decomposition only
 - Master performs all I/O
 - Master performs particle generation
 - Master may gather/scatter to perform serial operations, e.g.,
 - Output
 - Elements we didn't get around to parallelizing
- Benefits:
 - Very useful parallel version in about six months
 - Gradual parallelization of the code without impeding on-going development
- Problem:
 - Master was a memory and I/O bottleneck
 - Limited to about 60M particles (16GB RAM)
- As a result we have reworked the parallelization to eliminate the central role for the master processor
 - Slaves perform I/O and particle generation
 - Not limited to particle-based decomposition for tracking
- This required parallelizing the SDDS-based I/O used by elegant



Early Test Results with New Version



- With new version¹, demonstrated 400 MP on 100 nodes
 - Parallelized SDDS I/O
 - Eliminated role of master node in particle management
- Early tests (left) show SDDS I/O performance is comparable to HDF5
 - Test was designed to favor HDF5
 - Performed on Jazz using PVFS

¹Y. Wang, H. Shang, M. Borland



Why Use SDDS I/O?

- SDDS (Self Describing Data Sets) refers to
 - A self-describing file protocol developed at ANL starting in 1994
 - A set of general-purpose programs that work with SDDS files
 - "SDDS Toolkit" for data analysis, manipulation, and display
 - "SDDS/EPICS Toolkit" for control-system applications

Advantages

- Provides generic pre- and post-processing tools for simulation codes
- Supports user scripting
- Makes writing/upgrading simulations easier
 - No need to create/modify custom pre- or post-processors
- Improves robustness
 - Programs can detect presence, data type, units of data
- Makes it easier to work with multiple codes
 - Start-to-end simulation

Features

- Highly portable: Linux/UNIX, Windows, OS-X
- ASCII or binary data storage option
- Users create custom data analysis methods using pipelines of SDDS tools
- Libraries support C/C++, FORTRAN, Java, MATLAB, Tcl, Python



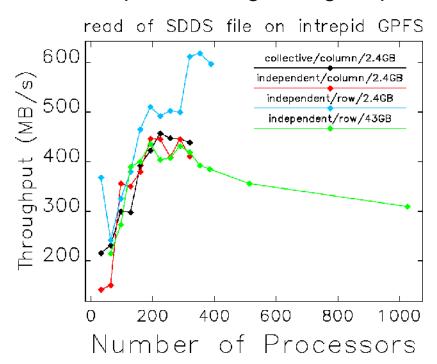
What Codes Use SDDS I/O ?

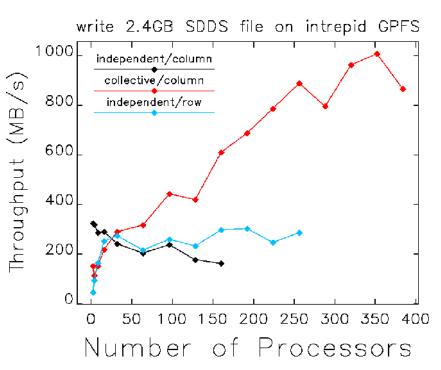
- elegant is the most widely-used SDDS-compliant code
 - SDDS is deeply engrained in how elegant is written and used
- shower is an interface to EGS4 for electron/gamma shower simulation
- spiffe is a 2.5 D PIC code for rf gun simulation
- We have SDDS-based scripts that convert to/from ASTRA and IMPACT-T particle distributions and elegant distributions
- sddsanalyzebeam analyzes phase space output from elegant
- sddsmatchtwiss transforms phase space coordinates from elegant
- sddsbrightness and sddsurgent compute properties of synchrotron radiation based on distributions from elegant
- clinchor computes single- and coupled-bunch growth rates due to HOMs
- haissinski computes potential well distortion
- csrImpedance computes shielded CSR impedance for use by elegant
- touschekLifetime computes Touschek lifetime using data from elegant
- URMEL/APS is an SDDS-compliant version of the URMEL code for cavity mode computation (output accepted by elegant or clinchor)
- ABCI/APS provides SDDS wake data that elegant accepts
- MAFIA/APS provides SDDS data that (after post-processing) elegant accepts
- We have an SDDS-compliant version of the FEL code GENESIS
- Our goal is to never have to manually translate data between two codes



Recent Parallel SDDS I/O Tests on BlueGene

- ANL recently installed a 100 terraflop BlueGene/P
 - Developer workshop held to give opportunity to port and test codes with up to 1024 processors
 - We took the opportunity to test and optimize SDDS I/O
- BlueGene/P uses IBM's General Parallel File System (GPFS)
- Tests are incomplete but performance is good
 - With ~100 or more processors, getting >200 MB/s throughput
 - Implies reading/writing 1B particle file in <5 minutes





Plans

- Further testing and debugging needed for parallel SDDS
- elegant is in constant development, so latest parallel version diverged from official version
 - Presently using other funds to merge with official version
 - Expect completion within a few months
- Parallel SDDS I/O in column mode requires other applications to be upgraded to SDDS3
 - This work is in progress (other funding)
- SDDS Toolkit can benefit from multiprocessor machines
 - Will parallelize selected applications using OpenMP (other funding)
- Perform production runs for LCLS with up to 500 MP to get gain curve down to ~1 micron
- Develop IMPACT-T/elegant-based GUI application for LCLS modeling
 - Ability to model experiments (e.g., scans) conveniently
 - Intelligent segmenting of runs to improve performance
 - Ability to display expected results at diagnostics
 - Eventually take settings directly from control system
- Employ genetic optimizer to perform start-to-end optimization of LCLS, including FEL modeling

